City of Takoma Park Safe Roadways Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2005

The City of Takoma Park Safe Roadways Committee met on Thursday, June 9, 2005 in the Municipal Building, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland.

Members Present:

Greg Castano, Katherine Kelly, Steve Moody, Laurie Kelly, Sanjay

Grover, Michael Goodno

Members Absent:

Larry Rubin, Suzanna Banwell, Robert Patten

Staff Present:

Ilona Blanchard, Senior Planner

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30.

2. Adoption of Minutes: vote on reading, vote on adoption

The minutes were unanimously adopted with proposed changes.

3. Brief Announcements / Updates

<u>Resignation</u> – Susan Solarz has resigned from the committee as she is moving to the Southwest.

Bike to Work Day — Congratulations - Many members of the Committee biked to work. Michael Goodno deserves special recognition - he led a caravan of bicycle commuters from Takoma Park to Freedom Plaza in DC. Discussion that it would be desirable to have a pit stop in Takoma Park for bicyclists originating, departing from, or passing through the City on the next year's Bike to Work Day.

<u>FY06 Budget</u> – Reviewed and discussed options. Noted that \$25,000 for pedestrian safety listed in the Capital Improvements Program budget is at the discretion of Council and may be used to develop projects at the recommendation of other entities.

4. Action Items

Council Recommendations/Follow-up

Reviewed what council had discussed at the presentation of FY06 Budget priorities.

Issue for staff follow-up: Sligo Creek Parkway - find out what the MNCPPC repaving and re-striping schedule is.

What's Next for the SRC

Reviewed FY06 Budget Priority List and guesstimated possible costs of projects.

Discussed alternative models of how to carry out the work of the committee: All committee members would work on all projects vs. subcommittees work on projects within the member's interest area, possibly with members from outside the committee.

Members of committee were charged with speaking with their Ward representative on the Council as follows: Joy Austin-Lane (Ward 1) – Suzanna Banwell, Heather Mizeur (Ward 2) - Larry Rubin, Bruce Williams (Ward 3) – Laurie Kelly, Terry Seamens (Ward 4) – Mike Goodno, Marc Elrich (Ward 5) – Steve Moody, Doug Barry (Ward 6) – Katherine Kelly, Kathy Porter (Mayor) - Greg Castano.

5. Status Reports

<u>Community Center/Cedar Crossing</u> – no update – discussed the parking lot hazards, crossing guard, etc.

Issue for staff follow-up – what is the delay in installing the lights at Maple Avenue and Philadelphia?

<u>Takoma/Langley Crossroads</u> – transit center is funded by the State and will probably be funded by Montgomery County and Prince George's County.

Meetings: Next meeting will be July 21, and then August 11th. Mike Goodno will chair in August.

5. Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted

Ilona Blanchard, Senior Planner

Approved

Grad Castano Chair